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## COMMENCEMENTS OVER AT CLINTON

The Last Being That of  
Thornwell Orphanage.

### SERMON BY DR. FAIR.

Literary Address by Prof. Thornwell--Im-  
pressive Unveiling Ceremonies--  
Alumni Hold Re-union.

Clinton, June 23.—The last commence-  
ment, that of the Thornwell Orphanage  
schools, began last Sunday and lasted  
through Wednesday night. To be more  
exact the first exercise, a debaters' con-  
test, participated in by six young men,  
was held Friday evening. This contest  
was very creditable to the institution.  
On Sunday morning the Rev. Jas. Y.  
Fair, D. D., of the Independent Pres-  
byterian church, Savannah, Georgia,  
preached a very impressive sermon on  
the text, "What is life?" For an hour,  
while the elements raged outside, he  
held the close attention of an audience  
of about twelve hundred people.

On Monday evening the William P.  
Jacobs Literary Society gave an enter-  
tainment which was highly commended  
by the public. This entertainment had  
a varied program, including a farce,  
several readings and musical selections  
and tableaux.

On Tuesday evening the regular com-  
mencement exercises were held. The  
literary address to the graduates was  
delivered by Prof. James H. Thornwell,  
of Winnsboro, and was of a very prac-  
tical nature. His general subject was,  
"How to Use Life," and the special  
lesson he impressed on the class was  
found, he said, in a quotation, "Genius  
is the faculty of doing common things  
uncommonly well." There were seven  
graduates: Misses Alice Dunn, of Jack-  
sonville, Fla.; Dora Holland, of Clinton;  
Ella Harper, of Laurens; Nan Leonard,  
of Tampa, Fla.; Ella B. Satterwhite,  
of Laurens, and Messrs. C. Eugene  
Verdery, of Charleston, and J. Jackson  
Harper, of Wesson, Miss. Three of  
these graduates delivered addresses:  
Mr. J. J. Harper, on "The Menace to  
Our Country of the Growing Greed for  
Gain;" Mr. C. E. Verdery, on "The  
Negro Versus the Immigrant;" Miss  
Ella Harper, on "How Long We Live  
Not Years but Actions Tell." These  
speeches were all well received. Miss  
Harper was also valedictorian and her  
words of farewell were very appropri-  
ate. Seldom indeed is a valedictory so  
feeling and so affectionate as was her's  
while remaining in perfect taste.

Dr. Jacobs delivered the diplomas  
with his final words of commendation  
and counsel. The Hon. J. J. McSwain  
then delivered to the graduates each a  
beautiful copy of the Bible, the insti-  
tution's final gift to its pupils.

Most solemn and impressive were the  
ceremonies connected with the unveil-  
ing of a memorial tablet to the first  
Dr. J. H. Thornwell, after whom the  
institution was named, and the unveil-  
ing of a portrait of his distinguished  
son who passed from the earth last De-  
cember. Two of the orphan boys drew  
away the curtain from the tablet reveal-  
ing it to the audience. The orphanage  
choir then stood beneath it and sang a  
hymn. Dr. Jacobs rehearsed briefly  
his connection with Dr. Thornwell while  
a student in Columbia Theological Sem-  
inary and passed from his account of  
the father to an account of the support  
of the orphanage by the second Dr.  
Thornwell, who had been a member of  
its Board of Trustees up to the time of  
his death. He then drew away the veil  
from a portrait of Dr. Thornwell on the  
platform and introduced to the audience  
the Rev. Mr. Knox, of Mayesville, who  
had been appointed by the Board to  
pronounce a memorial of Dr. Thornwell  
on this occasion. Mr. Knox spoke in  
beautiful language of the work of Dr.  
Thornwell as a pastor, a philanthropist  
and a man. Following this eloquent  
tribute the audience was dismissed af-  
ter a prayer by the Rev. C. Lewis Fow-  
ler.

An interesting feature of the week  
was the alumni re-union on Thursday  
evening at the Home of Peace. There  
were about twenty of the old students  
present, among them two ladies who  
were in the first group of children ad-  
mitted to the orphanage.

On Friday many of the alumni and  
their friends went on a picnic to River-  
side cottage on the Enoree river.

Altogether this has been one of the  
happiest, most successful commence-  
ment occasions in the history of the in-  
stitution.

## CLINTON BAPTISTS ENJOY A REVIVAL.

Next Session of Graded School Has  
Bright Prospects--Mad Dog  
Scare Revived.

Clinton, June 23.—The Baptists of  
this place are enjoying a series of ex-  
cellent sermons preached by the Rev.  
C. A. Waters, of Manning, S. C. Large  
crowds are attending these ser-  
vices, which are held twice daily, at 11  
in the morning and 8 in the evening.

The Presbyterians worshipped Sun-  
day in the Carolina Memorial chapel  
owing to the installation of a system of  
electric lights in their church building.  
They have given a contract for two  
hundred lights and it is not probable  
that the church will be ready for use  
next Sunday.

Mr. E. H. Hall, the recently elected  
superintendent of the graded school has  
bought a lot on Cleveland avenue and  
will begin to build a pretty home on it  
in the near future.

The prospects for the graded school  
for next year are quite bright. At a  
recent meeting of the trustees Misses  
Ellie Blythe, of Greenwood, and Laurie  
Aull, of Clinton, were elected to fill va-  
cancies in the corps of teachers.

The public hall of Dr. J. H. and Dr.  
J. L. Young's new building, the Utopia,  
has lately been opened for amuse-  
ment.

Clinton has just passed through an-  
other bad mad dog scare and Sunday  
afternoon the air was made hideous by  
the shots and yells of a number of peo-  
ple after a supposed mad dog. The dog  
was not killed so far as has been  
learned. Two cases of cats biting chil-  
dren have been reported. One child  
bitten was the little son of Mr. Tom  
Holland. He shot the cat and sent its  
head to the Pasteur Institute at once.

He was informed that the cat had  
rabies and sent the child immediately  
to Atlanta. The mother is with it. So  
far no bad symptoms have manifested  
themselves. The bite was inflicted ten  
days ago. There has been a wholesale  
cat shooting since this frightful event.

## LAURENS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO MEET.

The annual meeting of the Laurens  
Chamber of Commerce will be held in  
the court house tomorrow afternoon.  
5 o'clock. President H. K. Aiken and  
Secretary W. R. McCuen will be read  
to submit their reports for the year,  
and altogether the meeting will be one  
of interest to all the members of the  
organization. Another matter will be  
the election of officers for another year.  
The meeting should be largely attended  
and many new members added. Dr.  
Aiken will call the meeting to order  
promptly at 5 o'clock Thursday after-  
noon.

### CONTEMPT OF COURT CASE.

Judge Klugh Issues Rule Against Bruno  
Hunter of the City.

In the case of Lawrence Hunter, the  
young white man tried at the recent  
term of court charged with criminal as-  
sault, Judge Klugh Friday morning is-  
sued a rule against Bruno Hunter, the  
Defendant's father, to show cause at  
the next term of the criminal court  
why he should not be attached for con-  
tempt of court.

The order was issued by the Court at  
the instance of Solicitor Cooper upon  
the affidavit of Mr. J. L. Milam to the  
effect that the Defendant, Bruno Hun-  
ter, had undertaken during the progress  
of the Court to intimidate Grace Harper,  
colored, one of the State's witnesses in  
the case of Lawrence Hunter.

### Rains Damaged Street Work.

The terrific rain on Monday night  
worked considerable damage to the  
street paving work near and in front of  
the new Enterprise Bank building. The  
sand covering over the concrete founda-  
tion was soaked so thoroughly that it  
was necessary on Tuesday to remove it  
until normal conditions were restored.  
A small expanse of brick which had  
been laid and upon which the cement  
had not been poured was worked out  
of position. The force of hands were  
kept busy Tuesday repairing the dam-  
ages.

### Fine Pictures To-day.

This afternoon and evening, Man-  
ager Roman will show two excep-  
tionally fine pictures: "The Pretty  
Flower Girl" and "The Fashionable  
Hats." The first named being a beau-  
tiful hand-painted picture, and the sec-  
ond a very pleasing pictorial comment  
on the present style in hats.

## SENATORIAL CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED AT SUMTER.

Seven Aspirants in the Field for the High Honor--  
Forceful and Resourceful Public Speakers All--  
Synopsis of Each Candidate's Platform.

Thursday morning in Sumter was  
launched the Senatorial Campaign which  
will be waged throughout the State dur-  
ing the Summer and ending on August  
22nd in St. Matthews. There are seven  
aspirants to the office held by Senator  
A. C. Latimer up until the time of his  
death and filled out by Senator F. B.  
Gary. They are:

John Gary Evans of Spartanburg,  
George Johnstone of Newberry, O. B.  
Martin of Columbia, R. G. Rhett of  
Charleston, E. D. Smith of Florence,  
John P. Grace of Charleston, W. W.  
Lumpkin of Columbia.

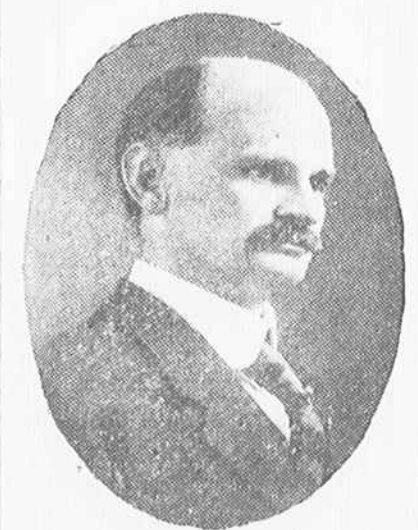
The two last entries, Messrs Grace  
and Lumpkin, came somewhat as a sur-  
prise, while the entry of Mayor R. G.  
Rhett of Charleston coming directly  
upon the heels of Mr. Heyward's with-  
drawal excited a great deal of interest  
and comment. Mr. Rhett has never  
sought public honor outside of Char-  
leston where he has been at the head of  
municipal affairs for two terms. Mr.  
Lumpkin, it is recalled came out against  
Senator Tillman two years ago but  
withdrew before the election. Mr.  
Grace is little known in this part of the  
State, never having held public office  
and rarely mentioned in public mat-  
ters until his recent election as an alter-  
nate to the Denver Democratic con-  
vention. Messrs Evans, Johnstone, Smith,  
and Martin need no introduction to our  
readers since they have been identified  
with the public affairs of the State for  
some years past.

Thus far the campaign has been com-  
paratively free from personal matters  
and has been conducted on a high plane;  
with the one exception made by Mr. O.  
B. Martin, who had the bad taste and  
poor judgment to introduce, impliedly,  
the wife of Mr. Evans in his argument.  
All the candidates seem bent upon at-  
tacking Mayor Rhett's currency plat-  
form but thus far none of them seems  
sufficiently capable of either interpret-  
ing the ideas set forth or offering any  
better plan, though they are agreed  
that that currency reform is much  
needed. As a whole this set of candi-  
dates are just about about the best and  
most forceful speakers that have toured  
the State in recent years. When they  
come to Laurens it will be not  
simply interesting but very instructive  
for any man to hear them.

In the following brief sketches and  
platforms, this paper is indebted to  
both the News and Courier and the  
State for quotations to which papers  
due credit is given. For the cuts of all  
the candidates both on this and follow-  
ing pages the Advertiser extends to the  
News and Courier thus publicly thanks  
for their use.

### HON. JOHN GARY EVANS

The first speaker at the opening meet-  
ing at Sumter last Thursday was Mr.  
John Gary Evans of Spartanburg.



Concerning Mr. Evans, the News and  
Courier says:

"John Gary Evans is perhaps the best  
known public man in the race. He has  
been before the people and they know  
his equipment and forcefulness. Mr.  
Evans keeps pace with public issues  
and is wonderfully well posted. He has  
gone into this race to win, if the peo-  
ple want him, and he is going right af-  
ter the persimmon."

Mr. Evans' principal theme was the ne-  
cessity of tariff revision in the interest  
of the South and especially the farmers  
of the South, and this will doubtless be  
his chief topic throughout the cam-  
paign, this having been his special study  
during recent years.

### MR. JOHN P. GRACE.

Mr. John P. Grace of Charleston was  
not present at the Sumter meeting, but  
a letter from him was read.



Mr. Grace's platform, as printed  
incorporates his belief in states' rights  
as the surest bulwark of liberty; a  
tariff for revenue only; election of U.  
S. Senators by popular vote; river and  
harbor improvement; strict regulation  
of railroads; currency reform insuring  
bank deposits; a strong standing army;  
reformation of pension system; ex-  
tension of rural systems; and a govern-  
ment absorption of telegraph lines.

### COL. GEORGE JOHNSTONE

Col. George Johnstone of Newberry  
is the next seeker for senatorial honors.



Col. Johnstone is reputed one of the  
brainiest men in the State, a remark-  
ably successful lawyer, an eloquent  
speaker, a thorough student of human  
nature, and possessing unusual knowl-  
edge of law, politics, literature and  
history. He was a candidate six years  
ago against Senator Latimer. After  
some well received jokes before the  
Sumter audience Col. Johnstone dis-  
cussed the issues of the campaign.  
From the Columbia State's report is  
taken the following. He said:

"The momentous question of the day  
is to carry the government back to the  
rocked of the constitution. It has  
been so torn away from its foundations  
that we have nothing but a republic  
with a centralized form of government.

"Two forces have been at war. One  
for nullification; the other for segrega-  
tion. Both are useful but unless both  
are equally protected there will result  
in despotism and ultimately a monarchy,  
not in name, perhaps, but monarchical  
in its principles."

Concerning the tariff Col. Johnstone  
said:

"Tariff is indirect taxation. The  
people are willing to be taxed properly  
to support a government that is not ex-  
travagant. Suppose all interests were  
taxed exactly and proportionately.  
That would be right, and one section  
would not be taxed to support the oth-  
ers. Under our tariff system one pro-  
duct is taxed more than another, it is  
taxed exorbitantly, and some others  
are taxed not at all."

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## CRIMINAL COURT ADJOURNED FRIDAY

Three Convicts Sent to the State Prison  
Hunter Gets New Trial--Some  
Cases Continued.

The summer term of General Sessions  
Court was adjourned last Friday at  
noon. The last case heard was that of  
the State vs. P. M. Woodson, charged  
with breach of trust with intent to de-  
fraud. The defendant was formerly  
the agent of the Standard Oil Company  
in charge of the local plant. An al-  
leged shortage of \$355 was found in his  
accounts and the bonding company  
brought criminal action against the ac-  
cused. The case was called Thursday  
afternoon. Friday morning on motion  
of counsel for the defense the court di-  
rected a verdict of not guilty on the  
ground that the corporate existence of  
the Standard Oil Company to do busi-  
ness in South Carolina was not estab-  
lished. Messrs. T. C. Turner and W.  
C. Irby conducted the defense.

The rest of Friday morning was de-  
voted to hearing arguments of motions  
for new trials in the cases of Lawrence  
Hunter, the young white man convicted  
of assault with criminal intent, and  
Ben Johnson, found guilty of house-  
breaking and larceny. Both were  
granted new trials. Richey & Richey  
represented Hunter while Cannon &  
Blackwell conducted the Johnson case.  
Application for bond in the case of  
Hunter was granted in the sum of  
\$1,000.

The trial of Albert Boyd, colored,  
charged with murder, the killing of  
Sam Cleaton, also colored, engaged the  
court Wednesday, the case going to the  
jury late in the afternoon. After de-  
liberating all night a verdict of guilty  
with a mercy recommendation was re-  
turned when court convened Thursday  
morning. Boyd received a life sen-  
tence, as did Henry Beasley, colored,  
who pleaded guilty to a murder indict-  
ment. Beasley shot and killed Pierce  
Davenport, another negro, near the  
city, a few weeks ago.

Thursday night Boyd, Beasley and  
Fred Ellidge, the young negro who  
pleaded guilty to the charge of at-  
tempted criminal assault and was given  
20 years, were taken to the State peni-  
tentiary by a special guard from Colum-  
bia.

Some of the minor cases disposed of  
by the court were:

James Forgy pleaded guilty to the  
charge of resisting an officer and was  
given three months or a fine of \$100.  
A. C. Cash, convicted of assault and  
battery of a high and aggravated na-  
ture, six months or \$100. Fletcher Moses,  
guilty of assault and battery with in-  
tent to kill and carrying concealed  
weapons, twelve months or \$200.

In the case of Frank Miller, colored,  
charged with murder, the jury failed to  
agree and a mistrial was ordered.

Cases continued: Albert Ramage,  
charged with assault and battery with  
intent to kill; Broadus Workman, as-  
sault and battery and carrying con-  
cealed weapons; Ernest Jacks and  
Clarence Smith, similar charge; Sam  
Mitchell, larceny.

## SPECIAL SERMON TO MASONS BY REV. W. E. THAYER.

Next Sunday morning at the First  
Baptist church the pastor, Rev. William  
E. Thayer, will preach a special sermon  
for the Masons. Mr. Thayer has con-  
sented to preach this sermon upon the  
invitation of the two local Masonic  
lodges, Palmetto, No. 19, and Laurens,  
No. 26, whose members desire all Ma-  
sons in the county to join them on this  
occasion and attend the special church  
service in a body.

### Death of a Lad.

Sunday morning at ten o'clock at the  
home of his father, Mr. Maxey G. Pat-  
terson, near Lanford Station, young  
Joseph Patterson, aged six years, died  
after an illness of four weeks. He  
was taken ill with fever during May,  
which developed into other complica-  
tions resulting in his death yesterday  
morning. The funeral services were  
held Monday, conducted by the Metho-  
dist minister at Lanford and the inter-  
ment was in the village burying ground.  
Mr. Maxey Patterson is one of the  
prominent men in the county, and the  
news of his sons death will be received  
with sincere regret.

### Voted Three Mill Levy.

At a meeting of the citizens yester-  
day morning in the court house, the  
regular 3 mill tax for the Laurens city  
school purpose was voted. No other  
business of importance was transacted.

## COUNTY TEACHERS' INSTITUTE OPENS

Was Organized Monday at  
Graded School Building.

### 38 TEACHER-PUPILS.

Programme of the Formal Opening Ex-  
ercises--Supt. Dodson and Two  
Assistants in Charge.

The Laurens County Teachers' Insti-  
tute, under the direction of the County  
Board of Education, was formally or-  
ganized and opened for work on Mon-  
day morning at 10 o'clock in the city  
school building. There were present at  
the opening exercises a number of vis-  
iting ladies and gentlemen besides the  
thirty-one teachers enrolled and the  
three instructors for the Institute. The  
program for the exercises was carried  
out as follows:

Scripture reading by Rev. Wm. E.  
Thayer.

Prayer by Rev. C. E. Rankin.  
Address and announcements by Supt.  
R. W. Nash.

Address by Rev. J. D. Grant.  
Address by Editor S. E. Roney.  
Address by Prof. Chas. F. Brooks.  
Address by Supt. R. A. Dodson.

Contrary to announcement, Miss Gar-  
lington, it was ascertained, could not  
assist in the work of instruction, and  
Miss Bessie Moseley, of LaGrange, Ga.,  
will fill this place. In addition Miss  
Moseley has the work of teaching draw-  
ing lessons, she being sent here by  
Supt. O. B. Martin for this special  
work. Drawing will be emphasized in  
the Institute this summer. The other  
instructors are Prof. R. A. Dodson and  
Mr. Jas. H. Sullivan, recently gradu-  
ated from the University of South  
Carolina.

On the opening day there were twenty-  
eight lady teachers and three male  
enrolled. They are:

Misses May Belle Barre, Gena Henry,  
May Madden, Sara Blakely, Gussie  
Harper, Ethel McDaniel, Lula Barre,  
Nannie J. Babb, Pearl Blakely, Bessie  
E. Hudgens, Lillie Armstrong, Hattie  
A. Roland, Alma Wallace, Minnie Wal-  
lace, Ella B. Copeland, May Henderson,  
Lula Donnan, Mary Garrison, Edna  
Barre, Ella Roland, Ella Peterson, Lil-  
lie Peterson, Lyda E. Adams, Sadie  
Harper, Annie B. Putnam, Lela Ander-  
son, Lillie Sloan, Louise Copeland,  
Prof. L. D. Ellidge, J. C. Burdette,  
Chas. F. Brooks.

On Tuesday seven additional teachers  
were enrolled. They are Misses Ger-  
trude Culbertson, Hattie McCullough,  
Lula Spencer, Dorcas Culbertson, Irene  
Ray, and Profs. W. C. Duncan and J.  
H. Shady.

### REVIVAL AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Rev. G. B. Strickler Conducting Series  
of Meetings Here.

The Rev. G. B. Strickler, D. D., pro-  
fessor of theology in the Union Theo-  
logical Seminary, Richmond, Va., ar-  
rived in the city Saturday afternoon for  
the purpose of conducting revival ser-  
vices during the present week at the  
First Presbyterian church. Dr. Strickler  
is a profound thinker and eloquent  
preacher, and a very large congregation  
heard his opening sermon at 11 o'clock  
Sunday morning. He preached the ser-  
mon upon the occasion of the formal  
dedication of the present First Presby-  
terian church building about 15 years  
ago, and is, then, a very personally known  
to most of the Presbyterian congrega-  
tion, who are delighted with having him  
with them again. He is the guest of  
his son-in-law, the Rev. Chas. F. Rankin,  
pastor of the First Church, who is  
assisting in the conduct of the meetings.

Preparatory services were begun by  
the Pastor on last Wednesday evening,  
and the meeting proper commenced  
Sunday morning. Large crowds, in-  
creasing each day, have attended the  
services and all are impressed with the  
forceful preaching by Dr. Strickler,  
whose sermons are examples of sim-  
plicity and unusual power.

The series of meetings will close on  
Thursday night, until then the after-  
noon prayer service at five o'clock and  
the preaching at 8:30 will continue.

### New Bank Now Occupied.

The business of the Enterprise Bank  
is now being transacted in their elegant  
new quarters, occupancy having been  
taken up Tuesday. There is yet con-  
siderable work to be done on the inside  
of the building, but it is being rapidly  
pushed toward completion.